

## Message Text

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FM AMEMBASSY YAOUNDE  
TO USINFO WASHDC IMMEDIATE  
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AMEMBASSY WELLINGTON  
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UNCLAS YAOUNDE 424

E.O. 11652: NA  
SUBJECT: MEDIA REACTION

REF: A. YAOUNDE 372; B. YAOUNDE 415; C. YAOUNDE 423

1. HERewith FOLLOWS UNOFFICIAL EMBASSY TRANSLATION OF ARTICLE  
ON SCSA TRANSMITTED REFTEL B.

2. THUS, ONE SHOULD NOT TAKE AT FACE VALUE THE RECOMMENDATION  
MADE BY THE SECRETARY GENERAL OF THE SUPREME COUNCIL FOR SPORT  
IN AFRICA (SCSA) AT THE END OF THE SECOND DAY OF THE WORKING  
SESSION OF THE COUNCIL. THE COUNCIL'S RECOMMENDATION TO THE  
OAU SUGGESTED THAT ALL BARRIERS TO SPORTS INTERCHANGE WITH NEW  
ZEALAND BE DROPPED. THIS APPEARS TO BE THE ESSENCE OF MR ORDIA'S  
PRESS CONFERENCE GIVEN YESTERDAY. IN FACT, WHILE AWAITING A  
CONFIRMATION OF THE ARGUMENTS SET FORTH BY THE NEW ZEALAND PRIME  
MINISTER IN HIS LETTER TO THE SCSA AND IN WHICH HE NOTED  
THAT HIS GOVERNMENT 'SUPPORTS THE INTERNATIONAL CAMPAIGN  
AGAINST RACIAL DISCRIMINATION, IN WHICH THE BOYCOTT OF  
SOUTH AFRICAN SPORTS PLAYS ONE PART,'--CONFIRMATION  
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REQUESTED IN A LETTER ADDRESSED TO MR MULDOONI (SIC),  
PRIME MINISTER OF NEW ZEALAND, BY SCSA -- THE COUNCIL DOES NOT  
WISH TO DECIDE UPON A DEFINITE POSITION AT THIS TIME. IT NOTES THE  
INTENTIONS OF THE NEW ZEALAND GOVERNMENT TO CHANGE ITS POLICY  
TOWARDS PRETORIA, BUT IT DESIRES TO SEE IF NEW ZEALAND'S INTENTIONS  
WILL BE FOLLOWED BY CONCRETE ACTIONS. THIS IS THE POSITION DEVE-  
LOPED YESTERDAY BY MR ORDIA. THIS MEANS THAT FOR THE MOMENT SCSA

CANNOT YET MAKE A DECISION WHETHER OR NOT AFRICA WILL PARTICIPATE IN THE NEXT COMMONWEALTH GAMES. UNTIL THEN AFRICA WILL WATCH NEW ZEALAND AND WILL HAVE THE TIME TO DEFINE ITS RELATIONS WITH WELLINGTON.

3. "BESIDES, MR ORDIA'S PRESS CONFERENCE ALLOWED THE JOURNALISTS TO FORM A MORE ACCURATE IDEA OF THE POLICY SCSA INTENDS TO ADOPT IN THE COMING YEARS TO PROMOTE SPORTS IN AFRICA. MR ORDIA HAS ALSO ATTACKED ALL THOSE, SPORTS ORGANIZATIONS OR ORGANS OF THE PRESS, THAT SPEND THEIR TIME CRITICIZING SCSA."

4. TEXT OF RESOLUTION TRANSMITTED REFTEL C.  
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